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POLICY OFFICE**PUBLIC NOTICE NO. MT-15-25****May 11, 2015**PURPOSE OF PUBLIC NOTICE

The purpose of this notice is to state the Montana Department of Environmental Quality's (DEQ) intention to issue a General Permit as described in this notice. This permit is issued by the DEQ under the authority of 75-5-402, Montana Code Annotated (MCA); the Administrative Rules of Montana (ARM) 17.30.1301 *et seq.*, Montana Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (MPDES); and Sections 402 and 303 of the Federal Clean Water Act. The Water Protection Bureau has prepared a draft permit for the facility listed below. Copies of the draft permit, fact sheet, and environmental assessment are available upon request from the Water Protection Bureau or on DEQ's website www.deq.mt.gov

APPLICANT INFORMATION

PERMIT/CATEGORY: Disinfected Water and Hydrostatic Testing (DWGP)

GEOGRAPHIC REGION: Statewide

FACILITIES: Disinfected Water and Hydrostatic Testing Activities

RECEIVING WATERS: State Surface Water

PERMIT NUMBER: MTG770000

The DWGP allows dischargers that meet effluent limitations and other conditions specified in the permit to discharge wastewater to state waters. Discharges include water from municipal facilities including, fire hydrants, water storage towers or tanks; and public or private swimming pools. Discharges also include water used to test the hydrostatic properties of new or existing piping, tanks, vessels, boilers and other similar equipment that has been physically cleaned to ensure there will be no discharge of residual petroleum-containing wastes or other type of wastes. Discharges associated with the General Permit are usually short-term (30 days or less) or intermittent.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comments are invited ANYTIME PRIOR TO CLOSE OF BUSINESS June 12, 2015. Comments may be directed to the DEQ Permitting & Compliance Division, Water Protection Bureau, P.O. Box 200901, Helena, MT 59620. All comments received or postmarked PRIOR TO CLOSE OF BUSINESS June 12, 2015 will be considered in the

formulation of final determinations to be imposed on the permits. If you wish to comment electronically, you may e-mail DEQ at DEQWPBPublicComments@mt.gov

A public hearing will be held on the draft general permit, fact sheet, environmental assessment, and DEQ's tentative determination on **June 12, 2015** at 10:00 a.m. in DEQ's Lee Metcalf Building, Room 111 at 1520 E. Sixth Ave, Helena, MT.

The State of Montana makes reasonable accommodations for any known disability that may interfere with a person's ability to participate in state government. Persons needing an accommodation must notify John Wadhams no later than **June 1, 2015**, to allow adequate time to make needed arrangements. You can call John at 444-2783 or write to the address noted to make your request known.

DEQ will respond to all substantive comments and issue a final decision within sixty days of this notice or as soon as possible thereafter. Additional information may be obtained upon request by calling (406) 444-3080 or by writing to the aforementioned address. The complete administrative record, including permit application and other pertinent information, is maintained at the Water Protection Bureau office in Helena and is available for review during business hours.

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